

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6654  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L BRUSSELS 09771

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MOPS, PINS, CASC, CG, FR, BE  
SUBJECT: KOLWEZI OPERATION: BELGIAN PARTICIPATION

REF: BRUSSELS 9750

1. ON CHECKING 1130L MAY 20 WITH FOREIGN MINISTER'S  
CHEF DE CABINET, ALFRED CAHEN, WE WERE TOLD THAT MFA STILL HAS  
ONLY SPARSE REPORTS CONCERNING SITUATION AT KOLWEZI. BELGIAN  
TROOPS ARE ON GROUND, ADVANCING, WITH NO CASULTIES REPORTED  
THUS FAR. THERE IS UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT SIXTY EUROPEAN  
BODIES HAVE BEEN FOUND.

2. THIRD SENTENCE PARA 2 REFTEL (REPORTING BELGIAN  
CABINET DECISION TO GO AHEAD) SHOULD READ QUOTE HE SAID THAT  
AS IT IS OBVIOUS THAT IT WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE EASY TO RESCUE  
PEOPLE, 'WE WILL GO IN ALSO' UNQUOTE. CHAMBERS

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